

and dear to our hearts. Now what we are talking about here is also a pretty silly situation. This is optional. So what we have is a chief executive officer through their power district can be either the general manager and the president, I mean, excuse me, the general manager or the president, that is true. Or the chairman of the board can be the chairman of the board or he can be the president. So you will have some situations in Nebraska where the president will be the CEO but the president in other cases will be the chairman of the board, and if you just read the summary that is on the committee report, if you can figure out exactly what they are trying to get at, you will be doing a lot better than most of us. What it is is just a simple shell game that is trying to hide who is really in charge and my hope is that we expose what we are talking about here and say clearly in the State of Nebraska in public power the public is in charge, the publicly elected officials serving us on the power boards in the State of Nebraska are in charge of our public power systems. I find it all very ironic that just as I walked in today, and I hope all of you see that George Norris Day is tomorrow, George Norris who was known for a lot of different achievements was in fact, probably the greatest achievement is his efforts to establish public power in this country, establish public power with the TVA, establish public power at Bonneville, establish public power in Nebraska. George Norris Day is tomorrow and I hope that George Norris, if we don't kill this legislation, turns over in his grave as he hears the sort of things that we are talking about here in establishing the general manager as the president of a public power district instead of the elected representative on that board. Now Senator Goodrich said, well, back east they don't understand this, why we should be like everybody else, this is more like the modern corporate names that we use elsewhere in this country. Well, public power isn't like everywhere else. We are the only state that has public power. If they don't understand that back in New York City, well then that is just their loss not ours, because in New York City they don't have the public power system that we have and that is to our advantage. If they don't understand that, then it is just a chance for us to once again explain to those people back east that we have a unique system in